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Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 2 Percent From Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on January 1, 2010 totaled 215,000 head, 2 percent below the January 1, 2009 inventory, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The cattle on feed inventory increased 5,000 head from the 210,000 revised number on feed December 1, 2009. Placements of cattle in State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during December totaled 41,000 head, up 5,000 head from December 2008 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during December totaled 35,000 head, down 4,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 during December, down from December 2008.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.0 million head on January 1, 2010. The inventory was 2 percent below January 1, 2009. The inventory included 6.88 million steers and steer calves, down 3 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 62 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.07 million head, down 1 percent from 2009. Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.55 million, 6 percent below 2008. Net placements were 1.47 million head. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 430,000, 600-699 pounds were 420,000, 700-799 pounds were 401,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 295,000. Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.74 million, 4 percent above 2008. Other disappearance totaled 72,000 during December, 5 percent below 2008.

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